

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA
MARCH 30, 2009**

A special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Jasper, Indiana, was held on Monday, March 30, 2009 in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 610 Main Street, Jasper, Indiana pursuant to the call of the Mayor and notice given to the media.

Call to Order.

Presiding Officer Mayor William J. Schmitt called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

Roll Call.

Mayor William J. Schmitt	Present
Council members:	
John Schroeder	Present
David Prechtel	Absent
Thomas Schmidt	Present
Ambrose 'Butch' Schitter	Present
Kevin Manley	Present
Randall Buchta	Present
Raymond Howard	Present
City Attorney Sandra Hemmerlein	Present [arrived 7:40 a.m.]
Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm	Present

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the council members must be in attendance. Six of the seven members were in attendance which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the special meeting.

Pledge. Mayor Schmitt then invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Purpose. Mayor Schmitt said the purpose of the special meeting was to consider two resolutions.

Resolution No. 2009-3 A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE PROGRAM INCOME APPLICATION TO THE INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND RURAL AFFAIRS AND ADDRESSING RELATED MATTERS

This resolution authorizes the submission of an application to IACRA for the proposed sidewalk and storm water improvement project in the East 4th Street area.

A motion was made by Council member Ambrose 'Butch' Schitter and seconded by Council member Thomas Schmidt to consider the resolution for one reading only. Motion carried 6-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Randall Buchta and seconded by Council member John Schroeder to have the resolution read by title only. Motion carried 6-0. The resolution was so read by Mayor Schmitt. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member

Ambrose 'Butch' Schitter and seconded by Council member Kevin Manley to pass and adopt Resolution No. 2009-3. Motion carried 6-0.

Under discussion, Lisa Gehlhausen with Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission reviewed the project guidelines for use of the program income and the process completed so far.

Gehlhausen said they met with INDOT to request \$300-350,000 in Federal stimulus money to repair the storm sewers that branch off the 4th Street project area. Gehlhausen said the environmental study is completed so this additional area would be ready to go. She said we will know later on if the additional funding is approved.

Resolution No. 2009-4 RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA, REGARDING THE SPENDING OF FEDERAL ECONOMIC RECOVERY FUNDS

In this resolution the council and Mayor strongly support and encourage that recovery funds be used for the purchase of local products and services.

A motion was made by Council member Ambrose 'Butch' Schitter and seconded by Council member Thomas Schmidt to consider the resolution for one reading only. The motion carried 6-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Randall Buchta, seconded by Council member John Schroeder, and carried 6-0 to have the resolution read by title only. Mayor Schmitt so read the resolution. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member Ambrose 'Butch' Schitter to pass and adopt Resolution No. 2009-4. Motion carried 6-0.

Under discussion, Mayor Schmitt said the resolution states that if the City of Jasper receives some stimulus money, we would try and create local jobs to help keep residents employed and we support the purchase of local products and services.

Adjournment. There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member Randall Buchta to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 6-0 and the special meeting adjourned at 7:43 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved _____ with X without corrections or clarification this 22nd day of April, 2009.

Mayor William J. Schmitt
Presiding Officer

Attest:

Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer

